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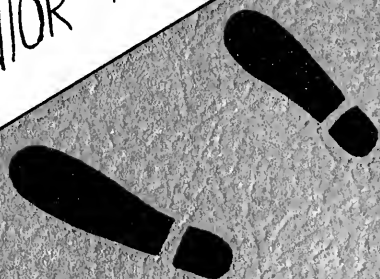
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'Steps To Learning'



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In the library, students have the advantage of reference books as well as checking out books for their own enjoyment. Mr. Weick is our librarian.



Drag racing on a straight track is just one of the many aspects members of the Ram-rodgers Car Club enjoy. Mr. Short is the sponsor.

Learning Is Main Objective Of Extra Activities

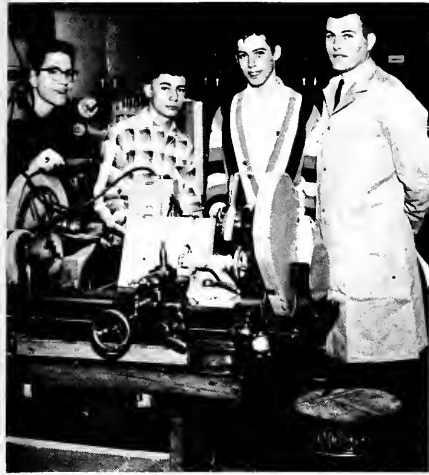
From the time we take that first step as a child, each day becomes one of observing and learning. Each of us must learn to live with others. We listen and discover how to take care of ourselves. Many steps must be learned before any of us are actually well-adjusted and well-educated enough to face our world and its many complex problems.

Some of these steps of learning are easy in comparison with others. However, we often encounter many difficult problems which seem to block our learning path.

Junior high school students encounter harder and longer steps than they had to stride in earlier grades. Our school provides us ways of learning through its classes, clubs, participation in sports, and through convocations. These, then, are our steps.

During study hall and before and after school, these three girls, left to right, Ruth Bilger, Nancy McCormick and Pam Good, take many steps in the office helping secretaries keep records and performing other duties. They are members of the Service Club.





Mr. Short, right, gives information to boys on the proper usage of all the shop equipment. This instruction is necessary to have a good finished product. Pictured left to right are Terry Stoll, Leon Kowalenko, and Gary Austin.

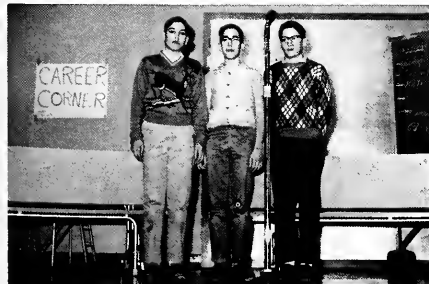


Students need a break from all their studies. The cafetorium during the lunch hour presents ninth graders with a chance to do more than eat; they talk and compare notes on the day's activities.

Time Out From Regular Classroom Routines

Eighth grade winners of the Annual Spelling Bee were Sally Helburg, Judy Boothby, and John Escosa.

Seventh grade winners of the annual Spelling Bee were Richard Beck, Tom Neumann, and Jim Gilb.





How to cook, sew, and keep house are just part of the many things Mrs. Bowers teaches her Home Economics classes. Bobbie Sanders is demonstrating the proper way to set a table while Mrs. Bowers instructs Barbara Buketoff, Judy Boothby and Karen Abbott how to mix ingredients for baking.

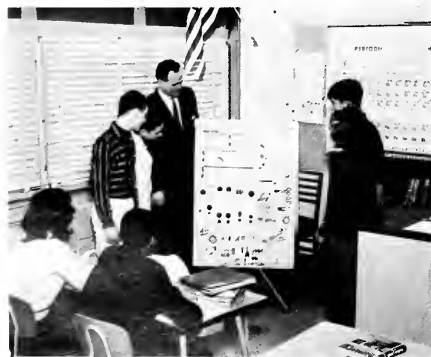
Each Student Learns and Observes In Classes

—Important steps to learning take place in classrooms.

—Mrs. Bowers aids her eighth grade girls in the many fundamentals of preparing meals while many others observe.

—Geography is an important part of the seventh grade curriculum.

Mr. Hauk, advisor, shows some of his Chemistry Club members the important steps in the functioning of machinery.



Mr. Edwards, right, looks on as two of his seventh grade students point out a city in Australia to him. Locating important places in the world is a big step in studying geography.





Two Dunbars, Melvin and Booker, please the audience when they perform at the annual Talent Show.



Over \$8,400 was sold by energetic Portage students during the annual candy sale. Many steps were climbed during the two-week drive.

Awards Day Recognizes Outstanding Students

Special days throughout the year give a great opportunity for students to learn other than school curriculum work. At the annual Talent Show students give almost professional performances for the enjoyment of other students and parents. Students learn to meet the public when they sell candy once

Dr. Kariger has just announced that two girls will share the honor of being the highest academic achievers. Phyllis Root and Joan Boling will both have their names on this plaque.



a year. They do this to help provide money for needed equipment in the school which cannot be provided by regular school funds. The Annual Awards Day program, highlighting the year, honors students who have done outstanding work in their own fields during the year.

At the close of school each year an awards convocation is held to honor those students who have performed ably during the past year. In this picture Mr. Short is shown presenting a football pin to Gregg Neiman while others wait for theirs.





Between periods, Portage students step in many directions in order that they may arrive at their next class on time. Of course, a little coaxing by some of the teachers always seems to speed up the process of heading in the right direction.

Whether it is stepping into a science, math, English, or gym class, all students receive an excellent foundation for future careers.

Some of the steps seem to be rather long ones, but with a great stride we are able to accomplish them. This conquering of each step leaves students with many personal feelings of satisfaction.

Steps To Remember: Good Attendance And Being Prompt To Class

This view shows one of the many clear and peaceful halls at Portage while classes are in session.



"Buzz" goes the bell and out hustle pupils on their way to take a break between periods. Soon the mad rush will be underway again when the bell rings to start the next period.





ACTIVITIES

Steps in education
lead to a variation
of activity interests.



Student Council members seated left to right include Stan Fishman, Debbie Blough, LaVerne Ransom, Jim Houser, Nancy Scroggins, secretary, Richard Cooper, president, Bob Homan, vice-president, Beth Egar, Vicki Wilson, Joyce Boothby, and Emmett Evans.

Standing left to right are Earl Richards, Mike Duffey, Gary Burd, Linda Summers, Alan Haak, Rick Dahman, Melvin Miller, Craig Bushey, Steve Crismore, Barb Gebhard, Eric Ornas, Gary Morningstar, Ted Watson, Scott Irmischer, and Rick Capps. Mr. Casso is sponsor.

School Council, Boosters, School Workers Strive For Improvements

Mr. Heaston has charge of the Booster Club, which is composed of Student Council alternates from each homeroom. Pictured left to right front row are Marjie Newhart, Dane Bruner and Mr. Heaston. Second row left to right are Gregg Neiman, Mike Karol, Cheryl Kolb, and Liz Greenler. Third row left to right are Tom Borne, Rick Chamberlain, Gary Kelley and Jerry Crothers. In the top row left to right are Gary Austin, Tim Raymer, Annie Broughton, and Joan Drummond.



"The pulse of Portage" is what we might call the Student Council. The Student Council is the force behind many school improvements, physical and mental.

Mr. Casso sponsors the Student Council while Mr. Heaston is in charge of the Booster Club.

Boosters are busy from fall to spring. Their activities begin with football season and don't end until the last basketball is shot. They provided candy for each home game and supported each social dance.

Boosters! That's what all students should be, to help boost the Portage spirit.



Many helpers work in the library under the direction of Mr. Weick. Pictured left to right with Mr. Weick are Carole Jarboe, Debbie LeFever, and Judy Boothby.



Fifty-three hard-working students, shown here with Mr. Weick, school librarian, aid him in his many duties as a librarian. Students do jobs ranging from checking out, repairing, and shelving books, to working with the card catalogue and writing fine notices. Their work is deeply appreciated at Portage.

Students Serve As Librarians, Office Helpers

Service Club members help with the various office duties. Seated left to right are Vicki Wilson, Kay Howell, Suzanne Meyers, and Kathy Bush. Standing left to right are Leslie Hinton, Pam Good, Betty Zehendner, Janet Russell, Karen Banks, Ruth Bilger, Diane Sarles, and Paula Refeld.





Group of talented students worked many long hard hours before competing in the Northern Indiana Schools Band, Orchestra, and Vocal Association contest at Portage in January. Many of the groups received first ratings while others were rated second.

Students Enjoy Playing

Our instrumental department has an orchestra, stage band and varsity band, all under the careful and watchful eye of Mr. Donald Parlette. The 1964-65 varsity band is one of the largest we have had in years at Portage as it contains about 65 members.

Solo and ensemble groups rated high in the Northern Indiana School Band, Orchestra, and Vocal Association contests in January. Students not only get awards for competing, but further their musical abilities.





Mr. Parlette, director, organized the Portage orchestra during the early part of the second semester. This group of approximately 40 musicians performed at convocations during the second term and did a very commendable job.

While Improving Music Talents

Portage's swinging stage band adds color to many activities throughout the year as it performs often for various school functions. It is 19 strong in number and is directed by Mr. Parlette.





Ruth Smith, Katie Dickmeyer, Leslie Hinton, Cheryl Kolb, Charlotte Wilson, Debbie Arnold, and Elaine Rizzo, accompanied by Dianne Dulin at the piano, sang "Prayer of Hansel and Gretel" as a ninth grade vocal ensemble at the music contest.



Joyce Boothby, Judy Boothby, Debbie LeFever, Renee Buschey, Tim Dennie, Bill Miller, and Bill McCray won a first medal at the annual music contest with the song "You'll Never Walk Alone" by Rodgers. Pam Ealing accompanied at the piano.

Mrs. Meese Gives Pupils Music Understanding

Interested students have joined together to form the vocal ensembles below. These girls and boys work hard learning the techniques of correct breathing, standing, and making sweet music. They also perform in the NISBOVA contest.





Varsity Choir, directed by Mrs. Meese, strives for greater singing ability and pleasure.

This group performed for many convocations, including the Christmas program when they sang many numbers.

NISBOVA Contest Highlights Vocal Music Year

Mrs. Meese, seated at the piano, is assisting Bob Homan and Karen Ogle with their solo numbers for the NISBOVA contest. Each received a superior rating.



Future varsity choir members gain experience in seventh grade training choir under the guidance of Mrs. Meese.





Learning to give correct and interesting facts to Portage students is the aim of Packet reporters. These students work hard each month to present the latest news in an interesting and humorous newspaper.

Putting out a good monthly Packet was the goal of the people involved in sixth and seventh period Publications. Nila Roush, far left seated, was the editor-in-chief, while Mr. Bostic, center, served as advisor.

Packet Brings Monthly Portage News

Under the direction of Mr. Frank Bostic, the Portage Packet is put together and distributed monthly.

During the sixth period publications class, students learn about writing copy, layout of the pages, taking pictures, and discovering

what should go into a good newspaper. The Packet is also an interesting seventh period activity for anyone wishing to express themselves in writing. Nila Roush was editor-in-chief.

These members of the 1964-65 Portarama staff spent many long hours after school putting the yearbook together. Pictured in the front row left to right are Mr. Bostic, sponsor, Barbara Buketoff, Tom Karol, Kathy Kaough, Debbie Rondot, Terry Vaughn, Stan Fishman, Mike Rathert, Todd Spiller, Ned Starnes,

Gregg Nieman and Grendel Burrell.

Standing back row left to right are Mrs. Wellman, advisor, Marlene Tutwiler, Liz Greenler, Katy Fishman, Linda Summers, Bobbie Sanders, Pat Williams, Ann Bresler, Nila Roush, Cheryl Richards, editor-in-chief, Nancy Scrogam, Greg Gwin, and Chris Tyler.





Pictured here are the Portarama members and Mrs. Wellman, one of the advisors, as they carefully examine a few layout sheets. Standing left to right are Mike Rathert, Gregg Neiman, Todd Spiller, Debbie Rondot, Ann Bresler, Alix Haynes, Marlene

Tutwiler, Barbara Buketoff, Liz Greenler, Nancy Scroggum, Grendel Burrell, and Bobbie Sanders. Seated left to right are Lorraine Kuhn, Mrs. Wellman, Cheryl Richard, Terry Vaughn, and Katy Fishman.

1964-65 School Memories Recorded In Book

Staff members of the Portarama work hard to bring you the past year's memories in the most interesting ways.

Cheryl Richards, editor-in-chief, spent many nighttime hours planning this year's book. She spent much extra time after school with Mr. Bostic and Mrs. Wellman, advisors.

First steps are important in planning a good yearbook. Cheryl Richard, editor, is talking over problems of layout, photography, and copy with faculty advisors, Mr. Bostic and Mrs. Wellman.

Nila Roush, editor-in-chief, Tom Frisby, lay-out editor, and Mr. Bostic, advisor, study the composition of one of the editions of the 1964-65 Packet.





Reserve cheerleaders left to right Annie Leshore, Grendel Burrell, Alix Haynes, Nancy Scrogam, Bobbie Sanders, and Sarah Watters have worked hard to boost school spirit. Not pictured is Nancy Hinton.

Seventh grade cheerleaders elected during the past year show promise as future varsity prospects.



Stepping Into Yells Is Part Of Cheerleading

Ninth grade cheerleaders are performing one of the many cheers they learned during the 1964-65 season. Shown left to right are Beth Eger, Jeannette Woods, Vicki Wilson, Sarah Latz, Suzanne Meyers, and Leslie Hinton.



"Give us an orange, orange, orange," yelled varsity and reserve cheerleaders at games throughout the football and basketball season. School spirit and morale have been raised, with the help of the pep club, by these groups. Mrs. Egley has been valuable in the training of these girls. She is sponsor.

Pep sessions were the time for the introduction of many new cheers. The gym roared with "G-r-rreat," boomed with "Thunderation," and shook with "Cheer for Portage, Go Rams Go." Our pep club was also sponsored by Mrs. Egley.

Pep club members helped the varsity and reserve cheerleaders at games and pep sessions.



Giving the teams a big boost with plenty of loud cheering was the purpose of the Pep Club. This year's group did a fine job of cheering the Rams on to victory.

Basketball Cheerleaders Provide Games' Pep

Pictured from left to right are Beth Eger, Leslie Hinton, Suzanne Meyers (standing), Sara Latz, Jeanette Woods, and Vicki Wilson.

Ninth grade cheerleaders brought forth enthusiastic cheers at the varsity games.





Members meet every Monday and Wednesday nights in the shop where they have their choice of drag racing or racing on a figure-8 track.

Spanish, Hungarian, and Ram Rodders Auto Clubs picture the varied interests of Portage students. These clubs do not have a lot in common, but this just illustrates that people like different activities.

Mr. Short, having built the road-racing tracks, teaches the many interested boys some techniques of building and racing automobiles.

Language and customs of the country are taught by Miss Szegedy and Mr. Septer in their clubs.

Decorating a Christmas tree, Hungarian style, is one of the many things taught in Miss Szegedy's Hungarian Club.



Mr. Werking and Mr. Short organized one of the most popular clubs in the school year with the founding of the Ram-rodgers Auto Racing Club. The group enjoys racing model cars.

Clubs Are Just One Step Towards Social Growth

Spanish Club generally consists of the members of the Spanish class. The main purpose of this club is to help those who are having difficulties with their Spanish assignments.





Mr. Didier helps the members of the Drama Club in planning plays which sometimes are used in school assemblies.

The Drama Club also helped during the candy sale by giving demonstrations on how and how not to sell candy.

Lights out, curtain up and a play begins. Students of Mr. Didier's Drama Club displayed many of their abilities in dramatics throughout the year.

Other interests fall in the category of learning to work with unusual words and learning to improve spelling and reading skills. Proper control of the voice is another important skill learned.

Joining A Club Is A Step In The Right Direction

Attendance of students at the Word Clue Club meetings help improve their reading skills and abilities.



Mrs. Fox's Teen-Age Book and Spelling Club (TABS) replaced the two former book and spelling clubs of past years. Members work on quizzes and puzzles.





Using various mathematical symbols and materials are the steps Mrs. Madigan's Math Club students use to enhance their knowledge of the subject. Pictured in the front row are Jim Hill and Paul Bonnett. Standing are Mrs. Madigan, Steve Oswalt, and Bob Boger.



" $X-24=108$ " is a typical problem solved by Marsha Bailey, Alan Haak, John Watters, and Gregg Neiman during Mr. Frey's Math Club.

Nimble Fingers, Brain Power Needed In Clubs

Fingers poised and minds alert, typists prepare to practice their stroking drills with speed and accuracy, their goal in Typing Club, guided by Mr. Gebhard, supervisor.





Learning to operate machines and working with their hands, boys enjoy the Drafting Club sponsored by Mr. Short. It had approximately 18 members.

Students Learn In Ever-Developing Fields

Clyde Dickie, standing center, watches as members of the Banking Club accept a deposit from two investors. Mr. Edwards sponsors the club which collects money from students on Monday.



Mr. Amstutz's Outdoor Life Club spent much time listening and learning how to trap and hunt wild animals. Members also spent time learning about less important outdoor creatures and insects.





Castling and King's Indian Defense are just a few of the moves taught in the Chess Club by Mr. Septer, faculty advisor. The Club held its annual tournament late in the year.



Learning the steps in operating such machines as the movie projector, the tape recorder, the opaque projector, and the record player are the goals of members of Mr. Newnum and Mr. Werking's Audio-Visual Club.

Putting the final touches on a vase is Miss Hills, who has charge of the Art Club. Students learn to improve their artistic abilities in the Club.



Extra Activities Improve Various Hidden Talents Of Industrious Youths

Fundamentals of sewing are taught by Mrs. Bowers to the seven members in her Sewing Club. Learning basic stitches is the first step to becoming a good seamstress.





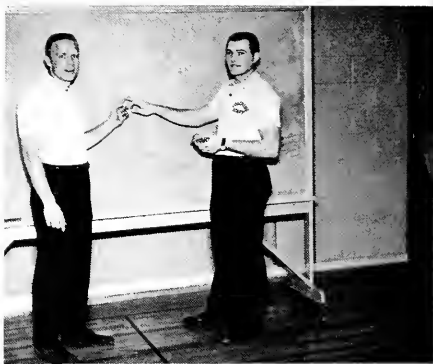
ATHLETICS

Good sportsmanship is
the goal for all who
attend athletic events.



Backfield men on the ninth grade team included in the front row left to right, Terry Benjamin, Craig Bushey, Booker Dunbar, Leigh Smith, and Lorenzo Stewart. Back row left to right are Randy Walker, Jack Houser, John Dahman, and John Winter. Regular Rick Dahman was injured just before the picture was taken and was not present for it.

Varsity football linemen included in the front row left to the right, Bob Shank, Dave Byrd, Tom Frisby, Richard Kelley, Leslie Smith, and Gregg Neiman. Second row are Danny Buell, Greg Stevenson, Steve Crooks, Tom Theye, and Terry Farris. In the back row are Phil Bischoff, Ronnie Bratton, Rex Watters, Mark Boling, Gary Austin, Dick Frisby, and Melvin Miller.



Varsity football coach Robert Short, right, and assistant Max Amstutz prepare a "razzle-dazzle" play for their next game.

Varsity Football

Varsity Football		
We		They
0	Weisser Park	7
19	Harrison Hill	6
14	Fairfield	0
7	Lakeside	20
0	Ben Geyer	0
6	Franklin	21

Blocking is a basic skill taught in football. Here Gregg Neiman is seen throwing a block on Bob Shank as coaches Robert Short and Max Amstutz look on.





Coach Darrel Heaston

Members of Mr. Heaston's eighth grade football team for 1964 were, front row, left to right: Mr. Heaston, Randy Ridgley, Bill Roberts and William Washington. Second row, left to right: Dave Clendenen, Tim Schrock, Tom Ransom, and Don Birdwell. Third row, left to right: Dave Bruner, Tom Jones, Matt Cavell, Jeff Banks and Robert Heredia. In the top row are Mike Rathert, Pat Dahman, Ned Starnes, Larry Scherer, Paul Hughes and John Glass.

Reserve Football

We		They
6	Franklin	0
12	Northwood	19
12	Kekionga	19
0	Lakeside	6

Seventh Football

We		They
6	Lane	0
7	Harrison Hill	6
24	Franklin	0



Attention of these seventh grade boys is focused on the blackboard as they learn football plays from Mr. Heaston, seventh and eighth grade coach.



Cleaning basketballs, folding uniforms, and keeping the equipment in order for the varsity boys are just a few of the jobs that Greg Tudor and Steve Crooks perform as student managers. This trains them to become responsible people.



Members of the 1964-65 varsity basketball team kneeling left to right are John Dahman, Terry Stoll, Wayne Workman, Ronnie Salmon, Eric Ornas, and Randy Walker. Standing left to right are Coach Heaston, Booker Dunbar, Mark Boling, Tim Pease, Leigh Smith, Ronnie Bratton, and Calvin Jones.

Varsity Results

We		They
22	Fairfield	48
41	Weisser Park	50
31	Kekionga	38
37	Harrison Hill	36
31	Franklin	50
38	Northwood	23
38	Ben Geyer	53
29	Lakeside	32
38	Kekionga (Tourney)	53
45	Harrison Hill	44
15	Central High	45
25	Ben Geyer	31
24	Central High	51
32	Weisser Park	41

Mr. Heaston instructs first string basketball boys on new plays and techniques for the coming games.



Rams Suffer Rough Basketball Campaign

Team play is important in winning ball games.





George Brimm and Charles Dunbar show jumping skills while other members of the reserve squad are ready to grab the ball.



Portage reserve players battle for the ball during the tournament game against Kekionga. The visiting Warriors won by a 30-27 score.

Reserve Team Exhibits True Sportsmanship

Seventh Basketball		
We		They
45	Harrison Hill	27
29	Central Junior	39
57	Franklin	31

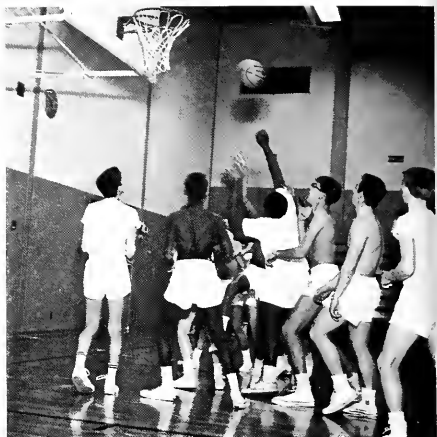
Reserve Scores		
We		They
23	Kekionga	27
33	Ben Geyer	40
12	Central Jr.	52
38	Lakeside	23
38	Adams	52
23	Weisser Park	53
30	Harrison Hill	59
23	Fairfield	54
29	Franklin	31
37	Northwood	26
27	Kekionga (Tourney)	30

Seventh and eighth grade reserve basketball players practice lay-ups, foul shooting, and jump shots with Coach Larry Johnson. Getting the ball over the out-stretched hands of a teammate is important.





Mr. Heaston's Monday night intramurals play a wide variety of games. Ninth graders seem to be having fun playing bombardment.



Of all the games played in Mr. Bostic's Tuesday night intramurals, basketball seemed to be the favorite. A tourney was held at the end of the season.

Boys' Intramurals Provide Every Boy With

Indoor football, touch variety, was enjoyed by members of Mr. Johnson's Wednesday evening intramurals class when it was raining on the outside.



"You're Out!" shouts Mr. Mattix as he calls a close play at home during his intramural class. Tom Neumann is seen tagging out John Hoffman.





Getting that first tip is always important in any basketball game, whether it be intramural or varsity. Here Tim Raymer fights Gary Austin for the tip.



Mr. Bostic's intramural class, along with the other three, played games that are keeping in step with the season. Boys were assigned teams and the Dinks won the regular season schedule. The Tomahawks surprised and won the tourney.

Chance To Play A Variety Of Sports

Indoor whiffle ball is being played by these members of Mr. Mattix's Thursday evening intramural class. Emmett Evans is the batter.





Mr. Amstutz coached the varsity track team to a good start this season as the Rams defeated Weisser Park and then Harrison Hill in their first two meets.

All records are made to be broken and Portage athletes delight in doing just that. Booker Dunbar, a ninth grader, and Clyde Dickie and Rick Chamberlain, seventh graders, were successful in breaking school records during the last season.

These boys are taught the skills for participating in track and represented the eighth grade this season. They were coached by Mr. Johnson.



Track Events

Built mostly around experience and practice, Portage's track squad headed into a rugged nine-meet regular season in 1965.

William Washington demonstrates a winning form in broad jump as he competes against Weisser Park, Aboite Township and Adams in a quadrangular meet.





Seventh, eighth, and ninth grade girls enjoy doing various stunts in Tumbling Club. Above is a demonstration by the girls on how to construct a very different type pyramid. The Club meets on Thursday evening and is under the direction of Miss Jenkins.

Girls In Sports

Volleyball is one of the many games taught in girls' extramurals under the direction of Miss Jenkins.



Many girls enjoy ninth grade extramurals. This group visits other junior highs and extramural players in the city. Games played by these girls include volleyball, basketball, and soccer, depending upon the season. The group meets every Friday with the sponsor, Miss Jenkins.

Ninth grade girls, under the direction of Miss Jenkins, enjoy participating in Extramural sports. These girls played other girls in soccer and basketball.





"Girls in stripes" from the ninth grade Girls Officials Club are shown officiating a basketball game for seventh grade physical education classes.

Officials Club, supervised by Miss Janet Jenkins, and Intramurals, sponsored by Mrs. Egley, are two activities open to seventh, eighth, and ninth grade girls. The girls learn the rules of sports and practice the skills involved. Much knowledge and added skills are acquired in these clubs.



Ninth grade girls have an opportunity to learn the rules of many sports and then are provided with the chance to apply their knowledge of them in Officials Club. These girls also assist Miss Jenkins in physical education classes.

Girls Play Many Games

Girls intramurals is one of the most popular seventh period activities for girls. Members enjoy playing basketball, volleyball, baseball, soccer and many other interesting sports.





FACULTY

Members rest and relax
between periods of learning
new procedures.



Under the competent guidance of our principal, Dr. Hugh Kariger, the school functions smoothly and a good education is provided every student.

A Trip To The Office Finds Us These Faces



Miss Jenkins, girls' guidance director, is seated in her office counseling Nila Roush and Jeanette Woods.



Advising students on choice of subjects for their tenth grade year is just one of the many functions Mr. Casso, performs as guidance director. He is shown here helping Mike VanBuskirk make his selections.



Mrs. Bertha Scott, standing, and Mrs. Lucy Hults, Portage secretaries, play an important role in the everyday smooth functioning of the office. These able and capable ladies perform many tasks for students which are not considered part of their job.

MR. MAX AMSTUTZ

Science, Biology

MR. FRANK BOSTIC

English, Developmental Language, Publications

MRS. VIRGINIA BOWERS

General Health, Home Ec., Biology

MR. DAVID DIDIER

English, Latin, French

MR. JOHN EDWARDS

Social Studies

MRS. KAREN EGLEY

Mathematics, Physical Education

MRS. MARTHA EICKHOFF

Developmental Reading, English

MRS. LA NOLA FOX

English, Developmental Language

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Mathematics

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Social Studies

MR. MAX HAUKE

Science

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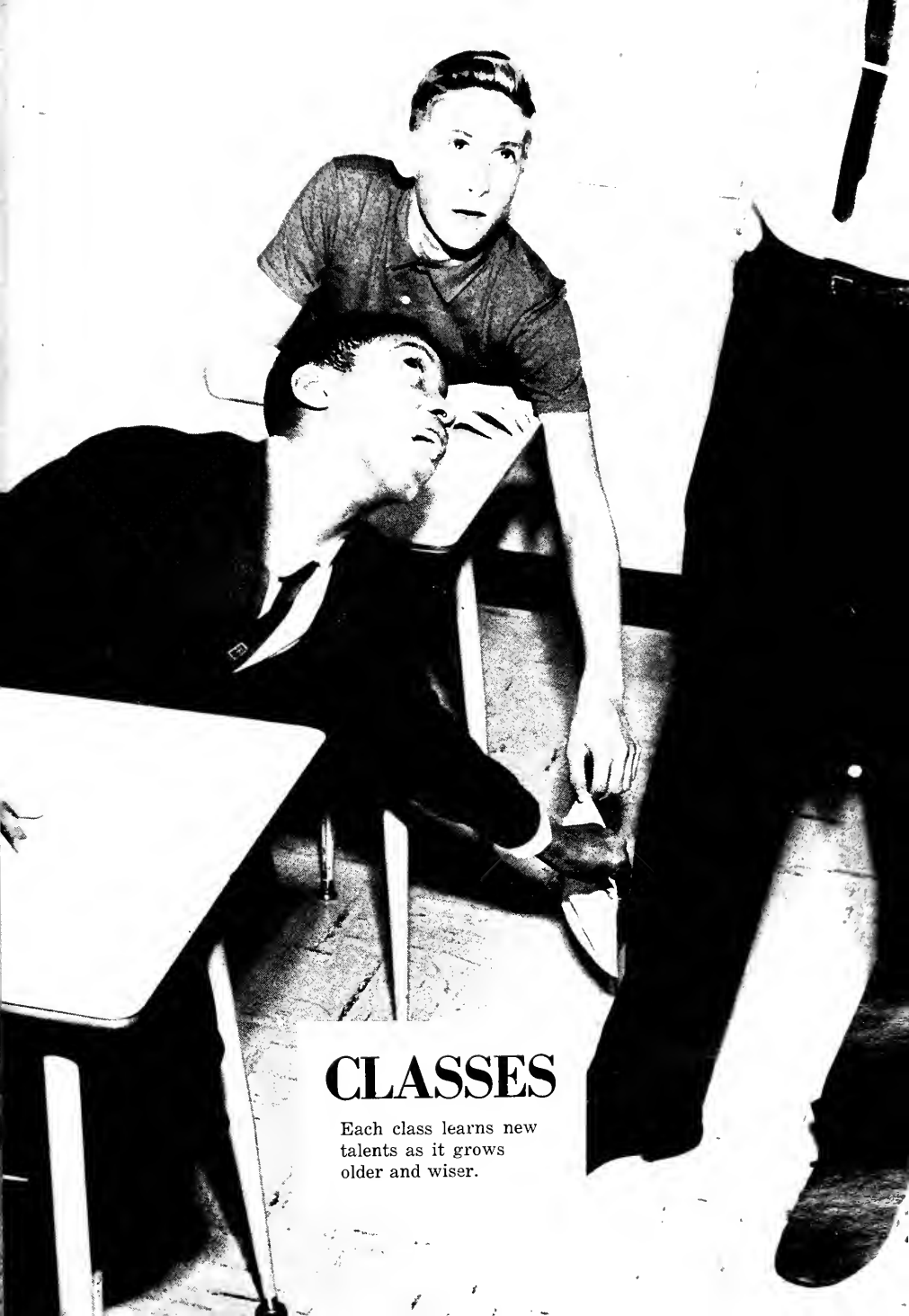
Seldom Seen Persons Play Vital Success Role

Much unsaid praise is due the above women who efficiently prepare our daily lunch. Day in and day out cheerful service is given by left to right, Mrs. Esther Dunlap, Mrs. Pauline Snyder, Mrs. Ernestine Hobbs, Mrs. Thresa Fredericks, Mrs. Lila Hammond, Mrs. Beulah Gwaltney, Mrs. Erma Miller, and Mrs. Edna Prather. Absent when the picture was taken was Mrs. Wanda Hart and Mrs. Alice Meyer.



These five people deserve much credit for doing such a wonderful job keeping our building clean and attractive. Left to right in the photo are Miss Hilda Linnemeyer, Mr. Carl Carpenter, Mr. Rudy Weisback, Mr. Glenn Daugherty, and Mr. Robert Mossburg. Their work is a never ending job.





CLASSES

Each class learns new talents as it grows older and wiser.

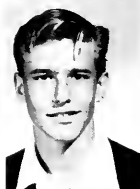
Ninth Grade



Deborah Arnold
Herbert Arquette
Juan Arruza
Gary Austin
Elizabeth Bade



Marsha Bailey
Karen Banks
James Bennett
Terry Benjamin
Ruth Bilger



Phil Bischoff
Mark Boling
Ronnie Bratton
Dan Buell
Gary Burd



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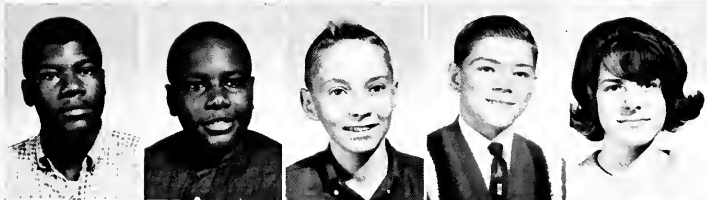
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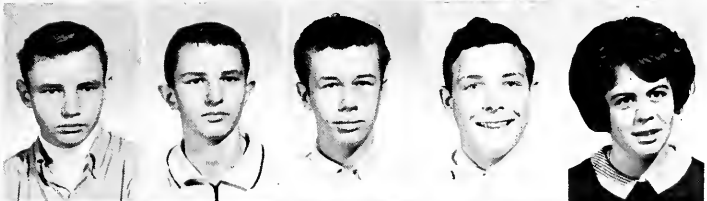
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Peggy Fryback
Rosalyn Frankenstein
Penny Ferguson



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Terry Farris
Barbara Gebhart



Kerry Geiger
Josephine Gomez
Vicki Gongaware
Pam Good
Gene Gouty

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Steve Greider
Gary Guy
Allan Haak
Walter Hackett
Larry Haman



Lynne Hamilton
Marilyn Hamilton
Suzanne Hammond
Julie Haynes
Martha Heath



Brett Heiney
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Richard Heredia
Crenda Hetherington
Leslie Hinton



Brenda Howell
Kay Howell
Bob Homan
James Hood
Dana Hoopingarner



James Houser
Doris Howard
Judy Humbarger
Kenneth Ingram
Jim Janeway



Carole Jarboe
Jack Jenkins
Beverly Johnston
Michael Johnson
Suzanne Jones

Ninth Grade



Mike Karol
Richard Kelley
Lonney Kimmel
Cheryl Kolb
Leon Kowalenko



Linda Krause
Janice Krueckeberg
Sara Latz
Arthur Lon LeCoque
Cherie Leiendecker



Tom Lembach
Peter Lytle
Nancy McCormick
Linda McKeeman
Diana Magnar



Terry Malone
Kenneth Mann
Suzanne Meyers
Maryann Miller
Michael Miller



Murray Miller
Lavern Mills
Roger Moore
Shirley Morrison
Gregg Neiman



Ronald Nelson
Marjori Newhart
Helen Nunn
Freddie Oetting
Eric Ornas

Ninth Grade



Tim Pease
Barbara Plattor
Steven Propes
Donald Quickery
Paula Refeld



Nancy Reichert
Lynn Ress
Cheryl Richard
Elaine Rizzo
Joyce Rose



Nila Roush
Robert Rowan
Joan Russ
Janet Russell
Anna Rust



Pam Ruthsatz
Ronald Salmon
Diane Sarles
Steve Seemeyer
Debra Settlemyre



Robert Shank
Wilinetta Simmon
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Ruth Smith
Terry Smith
Helen Snouffer
Raymond Solga
Michael Singleton

Ninth Grade



Julie Spears
Becky Spice
Daniel Sprague
Yvonne Stam
Gregory Stephenson



Lorenzo Stewart
Terry Stoll
Brenda Tackett
John Tescula
Tom Theye



Tom Tucker
Greg Tudor
Mike VanBuskirk
Mike Vorndran
Vicky Wade



Vernon Waikel
Randy Walker
Sylvia Wallen
Dan Walters
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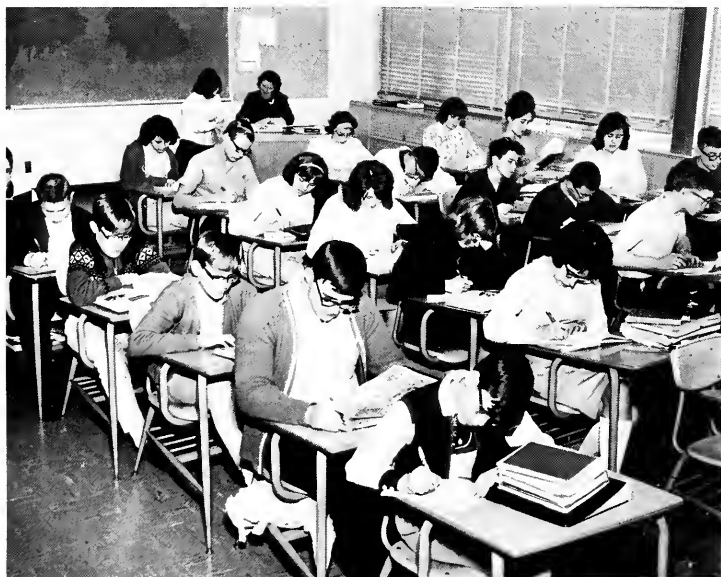


Allen Zartman
Betty Zehender
Katy Dickmeyer
Vicki Gongaware
Judy Humbarger

Cheryl Kolb
Christine Welling
Jeanette Woods

Study Hall Advantage Given Ninth Graders

Good study habits make better pupils. Ninth grade students have a chance to get in some quiet study and concentration during study hall under the supervision of Mrs. Hughes.



Eighth Grade



Karen Abbott
Lois Aker
James Arnett
Connie Austin
Mary Bailer
Paul Bailer

Candace Bailey
Cheryl Sue Ballman
Jeff Banks
Richard Barnett
Ronald Barnett
Mary Barnhouse

Donna Barrand
Linda Beineke
Bill Bilger
Don Birdwell
June Bischoff
Tom Black

Steven Blough
Michael Bodle
Linda Boggs
Jonathan Bonifas
Julia Boone
Joyce Boothby

Judy Boothby
Ann Bresler
George Brimm
Irene Brown
Annie Broughton
James Brown

Jan Brown
David Bruner
Barbara Buketoff
Donald Burget
Richard Burget
Cora Burgo

Ronald Burley
Grendel Burrell
Rene Buschey
James Butts
Tom Callow
David Capps

Rickey Capps
Matthew Cavell
Brenda Charlton
Bill Christie
Gayleen Claflin
Roger Clark

Eighth Grade



David Clendenen
Sandra Coleman
Steve Crismore
Barbara Crossman
Patrick Dahman
Barbara Davis



Jim Davis
Steve De Crandchamp
Timothy Dennie
Christine Dennis
Larry Dever
Linda Dixie



Judy Douglas
Michael Duffey
Hattie Dunbar
Pamela Ealing
Pamela Ellet
John Escosa



Jeffrey Evans
Steve Fair
Bruce Ferry
Katy Fishman
Stan Fishman
Barry Franklin



Charles Frye
Gaylord Gauden
Kathy Gasper
Dennis Geiger
Steven Georgi
Dana Gillie



John Glass
Joseph Gomez
Sharon Gordon
Judy Green
Elizabeth Greenler
Philip Guy



Gregory Gwin
Elmer Hahn
Dennis Hardiek
Julie Hardiek
Sue Harmon
Timothy Hawkins



Jimmy Hawthorne
Alix Haynes
David Heasley
Robert Heredia
Nancy Hinton
Finley Hood

Eighth Grade



Paul Hughes
Angela Hull
Robert Hull
Jo Ann Jackson
Steven Jahn
Judy Jarrett



Max Jenkins
Sharon Jenkins
Kathryn Johnson
Thomas Jones
Kathy Kaough
Thomas Karol



Carmen King
Jackie King
Randy Kolb
Dave Laisure
Alice Langston
Nancy Langston



Patricia Lee
Deborah Lefever
Jeannette Lemmon
Melody Lesh
Annie Leshore
Patricia Lloyd



Tony Mengona
Larry Martin
Wm. McCray
Paul McKeeman
Maria Male
Kathleen Mann



Sheila Marley
Roberto Martinez
Paul Martz
Bettina McPherson
Billy Miller
Melvin Miller



Sharon Miller
Bonnie Mills
Carol Moon
Eddie Moyer
Marjorie Nicodemus
Charles Odier



Karen Ogle
Donald Osterman
Steven Oswald
Susan Parnin
Freddie Pena
Cynthia Phillips

Eighth Grade



Nina Poling
Morisena Poore
Ted Pyle
Carolyn Ramer
Thomas Ransom
Mike Rathert



Dave Ray
Tim Raymer
Brenda Reichard
Jeffrey Reichert
Steven Richardson
Randy Ridgley



Bill Roberts
Wilma Roman
Debra Rondot
Paula Rose
Gary Roy
Kathleen Sample



Alex Sanchez
Bobbie Sanders
Larry Scherer
Richard Scherer
Robert Schrader
Tim Schrock



Mike Schroeder
Charles Schultz
Kay Schweitzer
Susan Scribner
Brenda Singleton
Clifford Smith



Marsha Smith
Tom Smith
Marjorie Snawder
James Solga
Eugene Spillers
Todd Spiller



Nancy Scroggum
Jane Sprague
Stanley Squier
Jeffrey Stahly
Ned Starnes
Linda Summers



Joseph Szabo
Lavone Thomas
John Thomason
Michael Teel
Sally Terry
Scott Tracy

Eighth Grade

Marleen Tutwiler
Chris Tyler
Bill Utter
Randy Vaughn
Terry Vaughn
Ethel Walker

Paul Walters
Wm. Washington
Sarah Watters
Ellie Wheeler
Donnita Whitman
Patricia Williams

Jack Wilson
Barbara Wright
Connie Wright
Nancy Wright
Patty Wright
Linda Wyatt

Debra Yarman
Nancy Yeiter
Steve Yount
Margaret Zartman
Rex Kuhn



Bulletin boards in the corridors often are very informative as can be seen by this one on the Constitution which Mrs. Gowdy has put on display. Eighth graders are viewing the articles and amendments.



Seventh Grade



Jeff Collier
Walton Collins
William Comer
Michael Conrad
Peggy Conrad
Earl Cox



Jerry Crothers
John Crothers
Gary Dancer
Jane Darby
Carolyn Deck
Kathy Deiser



Clyde Dickey
Don Doswell
Kenneth Draper
Joan Drummond
Diana Dudley
Charles Dunbar



Sharon Dunford
Donnie Durnell
Michael Durnell
Steve Durnell
Thomas Dykes
Michael Edwards



Emmett Evans
Deborah Evans
Kathleen Felger
Bill Ferguson
Max Fey
Mary Fincher



Rhonda Fisher
Debbe Flaig
Mike France
Roger Franklin
Julie Fretz
Raymond Fretz



Fred Fryback
Victor Frye
Stephen Garrard
Jeff Garringer
Jim Gilb
Carol Good



Cynthia Goshorn
Mark Goss
George Guild
Jane Hackett
Stephan Harris
Sandra Harshbarger

Seventh Grade



Louis Aguirre
Joe Alvarez
Steve Archer
John Atkinson
Deborah Avery
Brent Bailey



Jack Baker
Kenton Baker
Ronnie Baker
Glenna Barrand
Janet Baumgardner
Andrea Bayer



Johnny Beaver
Richard Beck
Donald Becraft
Ronald Bell
Paul Benjamin
Terry Bierman



Linda Black
Carolyn Biglow
Daniel Blough
Debra Blough
Tom Borne
Sue Boger



Vicki Boissenet
Paul Bonnett
Debbie Bonsib
Sherrie Books
Robert Boger
Tom Boyd



Herb Brandt
Joelene Brown
Billie Jo Brubaker
Neil Bryson
Pat Bubb
Leslie Buchwald



James Burkhart
Melody Burns
Carolyn Busse
Max Byrd
Dawn Carter
Steven Cavell



Rick Chamberlain
Teresa Chandler
Frank Charlton
Barbara Cole
Darrell Cole
Connie Coleman

Seventh Grade



Pamela Hart
Terry Hermes
James Hays
James Hill
John Hoffman
Pete Honeycutt



Mike Hood
Carol Howell
Bill Huffman
Harold Hurst
Faye Hutchens
Edward Igney



Scott Irmscher
Jeffrey Jacobs
Michael Janeway
Terry Jahn
Edward Jarboe
George Kariger



Patricia Keller
Gary Kelley
JoEtta Knox
Leo Knuckles
Bill Kratzert
Cindy Lawson



Rebecca Krause
Norma Kreider
Michael Kreigh
Terry Kimfer
Mary Kowalenko
Gil Latz



Gary Lawson
Mildred Lay
Eric Lindquist
Dorothy Long
Roxanne Loveless
Patty Lovellette



Wayne McClure
Alice McCormick
Mike McKeeman
Debbie Magner
Ann Marie Martin
Larry Martin



Joe Martinez
Robert Mast
Danny Mickley
Rebecca Miller
Kathleen Mills
Henry Moor

Seventh Grade



Gary Moore
Janice Morgan
Mary Morimano
Gary Morningstar
James Morr
Vicki Mundt



Russell Myers
Jim Nelson
Tom Neumann
Bill Norris
Mike Orr
Diana Osterman



Christine Ostrand
Pamela Parnin
Gordon Paschall
Linda Phillips
Joe Pronesti
Daniel Quickery



Laverne Ransom
Randy Revert
Rickie Ravert
Earl Richard
Philip Rizzo
Nilsa Roman



Steve Rose
Ernest Rust
Susan Ruttenberg
Cheryl Sanders
Linda Scheidler
Sandra Scott



William Sharp
Dave Sharp
Alex Shiriaev
Roberta Ann Shrock
Sandra Shull
Willis Simmons



Karen Smith
Terry Smith
David Snyder
Nancy Snyderman
Jerry Sparkman
Karen Speakman



Kenneth Squier
Todd Sterling
Celeste Steward
Susan Sunderland
Sue Taylor
John Theye



Carol Tolliver
Melvin Tracey
David Turner
Ann Underwood
Jan Wade
Carol Ware



Ted Watson
Mark Watters
Johnnie Wehrle
Jane Weicker
Janet Weinraub
Vickie Wetzel



Gail Wheeler
Thelo White
Tom Wilkinson
Francine Williams
Herbert Willis
Douglas Wolfe



Kristina Wolfe
Norma Jean Woods
James Worthman
Michael Wyatt
Mary Moreno
Ron Comer

Getting to class on time was a major problem for seventh graders entering school in September. The problem — mastering the combinations on their lockers. Later on in the year this was no longer a problem for anyone.





Kent Baker and Doc Watters played a trumpet duet during the Talent Show held March 5.



Debbie Yarman performed for the audience by tap dancing at the Talent Show.

Students, Teachers Reveal "Hidden" Talents



Linda Boggs and Maria Male share a rewarding experience as they demonstrate a commercial for "shaving cream."



Does this bring back memories of the first PTA meeting, Mrs. Wellman and Mrs. Gowdy? The two had twin coats and tried to trade. Only the fitting presented an obstacle to the trade.

The Contours, L. to R. Tim Schrock, Steve Crooks, on drums, Peter Lytle, Dennis Geiger, and Matt Cavell send girls into hysterics performing at the Talent Show.

Leanne Casso, Angela Casso, and Denise Sinclair, left to right, entertained at the Talent Show with a musical number.





Although the day seems long around 2 p.m., students still have enough energy to run from the building when the last bell rings.

School draws to a close and students rush to catch the bus or ride their bicycles home.

As the day draws to a close, steps toward home are taken by Portage's many students and teachers.

Junior high school is just one of the steps forward to a sound education. Memories of teachers, after school dances, sports events, and the tough classroom and homework assignments are reminders of the education we should never be ashamed we received.

The Portarama staff, Cheryl Richards, editor-in-chief, and its advisors, Mr. Frank Bostic and Mrs. Thelma Wellman, have spent many hours in trying to capture the events of the past school year. They have worked hard to produce the 1964-65 events as they really were.

We hope that we have produced a year-book that will bring back the sentimental memories of the good and enjoyable events we shared together at Portage this year.

We offer our thanks to all who helped during the school year. Our special thanks go to Leon Kolwenko who designed the cover for it.

Hours of hard work spiced with a little fun have been encountered by Portarama staff members. We credit the success of this book to them and wish to thank all those who helped in any part with it.







